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PROCLAMATION

OF THE

TWELVE APOSTLES

OF THE

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

TO ALL THE KINGS OF THE WORLD, TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA;

TO THE GOVERNORS OF THE SEVERAL STATES, AND TO THE RULERS AND PEOPLE OF ALL NATIONS.

Greeting.

KNOW ye that the kingdom of God has come, as has been predicted by ancient prophets, and prayed for in all ages; even that kingdom which shall fill the whole earth, and shall stand for ever.

The great Elohim, Jehovah, has been pleased once more to speak from the heavens, and also to commune with man upon the earth, by means of open visions, and by the ministration of HOLY MESSENGERS.

By this means the great and eternal High Priesthood, after the order of his Son (even the Apostleship) has been restored or returned to the earth.

This High Priesthood or Apostleship, holds the keys of the kingdom of God, with power to bind on earth that which shall be bound in heaven, and to loose on earth that which shall be loosed in heaven; and, in fine, to do and to administer in all things pertaining to the ordinances, organization, government, and direction of the kingdom of God.

Being established in these last days for the restoration of all things spoken by the prophets since the world began, and in order to prepare the way for the coming of the Son of Man.

And we now bear witness that his coming is near at hand; and not many years hence, the nations and their kings shall see him coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

In order to meet this great event, there must needs be a preparation.

Therefore we send unto you, with authority from on high, and command you all to repent and humble yourselves as little children before the majesty of the Holy One; and come unto Jesus with a broken heart and a contrite spirit, and be baptized in his name for the remission of sins (that is, be buried in the water, in the likeness of his burial, and rise again to newness of life in the likeness of his resurrection), and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, through the laying on of the hands of the apostles and elders, of this great and last dispensation of mercy to man.

This Spirit shall bear witness to you of the truth of our testimony, and shall enlighten your minds, and be in you as the spirit of prophecy and revelation; it shall bring things past to your understanding and remembrance, and shall show you things to come.

It shall also impart unto you many great and glorious gifts; such as the gift of healing the sick, and of being healed, by the laying on of hands in the name of Jesus; and of expelling demons; and even of seeing visions, and conversing with angels and spirits from the unseen world.

By the light of this Spirit, received through the ministration of the ordinances—by the power and authority of the Holy Apostleship and Priesthood, you will be enabled to

understand, and to be the children of light; and thus be prepared to escape all the things that are coming on the earth, and so stand before the Son of Man.

We testify that the foregoing doctrine is the doctrine or gospel of Jesus Christ in its fulness; and that it is the only true, everlasting, and unchangeable gospel; and the only plan revealed on earth whereby man can be saved.

We also bear testimony that the "*Indians*" (so called) of North and South America are a remnant of the tribes of Israel, as is now made manifest by the discovery and revelation of their ancient oracles and records.

And that they are about to be gathered, civilized, and made *one nation* in this glorious land.

They will also come to the knowledge of their forefathers, and of the fulness of the gospel; and they will embrace it and become a righteous branch of the house of Israel.

And we further testify that the Lord has appointed a holy city and temple to be built on this continent, for the endowment and ordinances pertaining to the priesthood; and for the Gentiles, and the remnant of Israel to resort unto, in order to worship the Lord, and to be taught in his ways and walk in his paths; in short, to finish their preparations for the coming of the Lord.

And we further testify that the Jews among all nations are hereby commanded, in the name of the Messiah, to prepare to return to Jerusalem in Palestine, and to rebuild that city and temple unto the Lord.

And also to organize and establish their own political government, under their own rulers, judges and governors, in that country.

For be it known unto them that *we* now hold the keys of the priesthood and kingdom which are soon to be restored unto them.

Therefore let them also repent, and prepare to obey the ordinances of God.

And now, O ye kings, rulers, and people of the Gentiles, hear ye the word of the Lord, for this commandment is for you. You are not only required to repent and obey the gospel in its fulness, and thus become members or citizens of the kingdom of God; but you are also hereby commanded, in the name of Jesus Christ, to put your silver and

your gold, your ships and steam-vessels, your railroad trains and your horses, chariots, camels, mules, and litters, into active use for the fulfilment of these purposes. For be it known unto you, that the only salvation which remains for the Gentiles, is for them to be identified in the same covenant, and to worship at the same altar with Israel. In short, they must come to the same standard; for there shall be one Lord, and his name one, and He shall be king over all the earth.

The Latter-day Saints, since their first organization in the year 1830, have been a poor, persecuted, abused, and afflicted people. They have sacrificed their time and property freely, for the sake of laying the foundation of the kingdom of God, and enlarging its dominion by the ministry of the gospel. They have suffered privation, hunger, imprisonment, and the loss of houses, lands, home, and political rights for their testimony.

And this is not all. Their first founder, Mr. Joseph Smith, whom God raised up as a prophet and apostle, mighty in word and in deed, and his brother Hyrum, who was also a prophet, together with many others, have suffered a cruel martyrdom in the cause of truth, and have sealed their testimony with their blood; and still the work has, as it were, but just begun.

A great, a glorious, and a mighty work is yet to be achieved, in spreading the truth and kingdom among the Gentiles—in restoring, organizing, instructing and establishing the Jews—in gathering, instructing, relieving, civilizing, educating, and administering salvation to the remnant of Israel on this continent—in building Jerusalem in Palestine, and the cities, stakes, temples, and sanctuaries of Zion in America; and in gathering the Gentiles into the same covenant and organization—instructing them in all things for their sanctification and preparation, that the whole Church of the Saints, both Gentile, Jew and Israel, may be prepared as a bride for the coming of the Lord.

And now, O ye kings, rulers, presidents, governors, judges, legislators, nobles, lords, and rich men of the earth, will you leave us to struggle alone, and to toil unaided in so great a work? or will you share in the labours, toils, sacrifices, honours, and blessings of the same?

Have you not the same interest in it that we have? Is it not sent forth to renovate the world—to enlighten the nations—to cover the earth with light, knowledge, truth, union, peace, and love? and thus usher in the great millennium or sabbath of rest, so long expected and sought for by all good men? We bear testimony that it is; and the fulfilment of our words will establish their truth to millions yet unborn, while there are those now living upon the earth who will live to see the consummation.

Come, then, to the help of the Lord, and let us have your aid and protection—and your willing and hearty co-operation in this, the greatest of all revolutions.

Again, we say, by the word of the Lord, to the people as well as to the rulers, your aid and your assistance is required in this great work; and you are hereby invited, in the name of Jesus, to take an active part in it from this day forward.

Open your churches, doors, and hearts for the truth; hear the apostles and elders of the Church of the Saints when they come into your cities and neighbourhoods; read and search the scriptures carefully, and see whether these things are so; read the publications of the Saints, and help to publish them to others; seek for the witness of the Spirit, and come and obey the glorious fulness of the gospel, and help us to build the cities and sanctuaries of our God.

The sons and daughters of Zion will soon be required to devote a portion of their time in instructing the children of the forest; for they must be educated and instructed in all the arts of civil life, as well as in the gospel. They must be clothed, fed, and instructed in the principles and practice of virtue, modesty, temperance, cleanliness, industry, mechanical arts, manners, customs, dress, music, and all other things which are calculated in their nature to refine, purify, exalt, and glorify them as the sons and daughters of the royal house of Israel and of Joseph, who are making ready for the coming of the bridegroom.

Know, assuredly, that whether you come to the help of the Saints in this great work, or whether you make light of this message, and withhold your aid and co-operation, it is all the same as to the success and final triumph of the work;

for it is the work of the great God—for which his WORD and OATH have been pledged from before the foundation of the world. And the same promise and oath have been renewed unto man from the beginning, down through each succeeding dispensation, AND CONFIRMED AGAIN BY HIS OWN VOICE OUT OF THE HEAVENS IN THE PRESENT AGE; therefore he is bound to fulfil it, and to overcome every obstacle.

The loss will therefore be on their own part, and not on the part of God or of his Saints, should the people neglect their duty in the great work of modern restoration.

There is also another consideration of vast importance to all the rulers and people of the world in regard to this matter. It is this:—as this work progresses in its onward course, and becomes more and more an object of political and religious interest and excitement, no king, ruler, or subject—no community or individual will stand *neutral:* all will at length be influenced by one spirit or the other, and will take sides either for or against the kingdom of God, and the fulfilment of the prophets in the great restoration and return of his long-dispersed covenant people.

Some will act the part of the venerable Jethro, the father-in-law of Moses, or the noble Cyrus, and will aid and bless the people of God; or, like Ruth, the Moabitess, will forsake their people, and their kindred, and country, and will say to the Saints, or to Israel—"*This people shall be my people, and their God my God,*" while others will walk in the footsteps of a Pharoah or a Balak, and will harden their hearts and fight against God, and seek to destroy his people. These will commune with priests and prophets who love the wages of unrighteousness, and who, like Balaam, will seek to curse, or to find enchantments against Israel.

You cannot, therefore, stand as idle and disinterested spectators of the scenes and events which are calculated, in their very nature, to reduce all nations and creeds to *one* political and religious *standard,* and thus put an end to Babel forms and names, and to strife and war. You will, therefore, either be led by the good Spirit to cast in your lot, and to take a lively interest with the Saints of the Most High, and the covenant people of the Lord; or, on the

other hand, you will become their inveterate enemy, and oppose them by every means in your power.

To such an extreme will this great division finally extend, that the nations of the old world will combine to oppose these things by military force. They will send a great army to Palestine against the Jews, and they will besiege their city, and will reduce the inhabitants of Jerusalem to the greatest extreme of distress and misery.

Then will commence a struggle in which the fate of nations and empires will be suspended on a single battle.

In this battle the governors and people of Judah distinguish themselves for their bravery and warlike achievments. The weak among them will be like David, and the strong among them will be like God, or like the angel of the Lord.

In that day the Lord will pour upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem the spirit of grace and supplication, and they shall look upon the Messiah whom they have pierced.

For lo! he will descend from heaven as the defender of the Jews, and to complete their victory. His feet will stand in that day upon the Mount of Olives, which shall cleave in sunder at his presence, and remove one half to the north, and the other to the south, thus forming a great valley where the mountain now stands.

The earth will quake around him, while storm and tempest, hail and plague, are mingled with the clash of arms, the roar of artillery, the shouts of victory, and the groans of the wounded and dying.

In that day, all who are in the siege, both against Judea and against Jerusalem, shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth should be gathered together against it.

This signal victory on the part of the Jews, so unlooked for by the nations, and attended with the personal advent of Messiah and the accompanying events, will change the whole order of things in Europe and Asia, in regard to political and religious organization and government.

The Jews as a nation become holy from that day forward, and their city and sanctuary become holy. There also the Messiah establishes his throne and seat of government.

Jerusalem then becomes the seat of empire, and the great centre and capital of the old world.

All the families of the land shall then go up to Jerusalem once a year, to worship the King, the Lord of Hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.

Those who refuse to go up, shall have no rain, but shall be smitten with dearth and famine ; and if the family of Egypt go not up (as it never rains there) they shall be smitten with the plague. And thus all things shall be fulfilled according to the words of the holy prophets of old, and the word of the Lord which is now revealed, to confirm and fulfil them.

In short the kings, rulers, priests, and people of Europe, and of the old world, shall know this once that there is a God in Israel, who, as in days of old, can utter his voice, and it shall be obeyed.

The courts of Rome, London, Paris, Constantinople, Petersburgh, and all others, will then have to yield the point and do homage, and all pay tribute to one great centre, and to one mighty Sovereign, or, THRONES WILL BE CAST DOWN, AND KINGDOMS WILL CEASE TO BE.

Priests, bishops, and clergy, whether Catholic, Protestant, or Mahomedan, will then have to yield their pretended claims to the priesthood, together with titles, honours, creeds and names, and reverence and obey the true and royal priesthood of the order of Melchizedek, and of Aaron; restored to the rightful heirs—the nobility of Israel; or, the dearth and famine will consume them, and the plague sweep them quickly down to the pit, as in the case of Korah, Dathan and Abiram, who pretended to the priesthood, and rebelled against God's chosen priests and prophets in the days of Moses.

While these great events are rolling on the wheels of time, and being fulfilled in the old world, the Western Continent will present a scene of grandeur, greatness, and glory, far surpassing the scene just described.

The Lord will make her that halted a remnant, and gather her that was driven out and afflicted; and make her who was cast afar off a strong nation; and will reign over *them* in Mount Zion from that time forth and for ever.

Or, in other words, He will assemble the natives, the remnants of Joseph in America, and make of them a great, and strong, and powerful nation; and he will civilize and en-

lighten them, and will establish a holy city, and temple, and seat of government among them, which shall be called Zion.

And there shall be his tabernacle, his sanctuary, his throne, and seat of government for the whole continent of North and South America for ever; in short, it will be to the western hemisphere what Jerusalem will be to the eastern.

And there the Messiah will visit them in person; and the old Saints, who will then have been raised from the dead, will be with him; and he will establish his kingdom and laws over all the land.

To this city, and to its several branches or stakes, shall the Gentiles seek, as to a standard of light and knowledge; yea, the nations, and their kings and nobles shall say—Come, and let us go up to the Mount Zion, and to the temple of the Lord, where his holy priesthood stand to minister continually before the Lord; and where we may be instructed more fully, and receive the ordinances of remission, and of sanctification, and redemption, and thus be adopted into the family of Israel, and identified in the same covenants of promise.

The despised and degraded son of the forest, who has wandered in dejection and sorrow, and suffered reproach, shall then drop his disguise and stand forth in manly dignity, and exclaim to the Gentiles who have envied and sold him—"*I am Joseph; does my father yet live?*" or, in other words, I am a descendant of that Joseph who was sold into Egypt. You have hated *me*, and sold *me*, and thought *I* was dead; but lo! I live and am heir to the inheritance, titles, honours, priesthood, sceptre, crown, throne, and eternal life and dignity of my fathers, who live for evermore.

He shall then be ordained, washed, anointed with holy oil, and arrayed in fine linen, even in the glorious and beautiful garments and royal robes of the high priesthood, which is after the order of the Son of God; and shall enter into the congregation of the Lord, even into the Holy of Holies, there to be crowned with authority and power which shall never end.

The spirit of the Lord shall then descend upon him like the dew upon the mountains of Hermon, and like refreshing showers of rain upon the flowers of Paradise.

His heart shall expand with knowledge, wide as eternity, and his mind shall comprehend the vast creations of his God, and his eternal purpose of redemption, glory, and exaltation, which was devised in heaven before the worlds were organized; but made manifest in these last days, for the fulness of the Gentiles, and for the exaltation of Israel.

He shall also behold his Redeemer, and be filled with his presence, while the cloud of his glory shall be seen in his temple.

The city of Zion, with its sanctuary and priesthood, and the glorious fulness of the gospel, will constitute a *standard* which will put an end to jarring creeds and political wranglings, by uniting the republics, states, provinces, territories, nations, tribes, kindred, tongues, people, and sects of North and South America in one great and common bond of brotherhood; while truth and knowledge shall make them free, and love cement their union.

The Lord also shall be their king and their lawgiver; while wars shall cease and peace prevail for a thousand years.

Thus shall American rulers, statesmen, citizens, and savages know "*this once*" that there is a God in Israel, who can utter his voice and it shall be fulfilled.

Americans! This mighty and strange work has already been commenced in your midst, and must roll on in fulfilment.

You are now invited and earnestly intreated to investigate it thoroughly, and to aid and participate in its accomplishment.

You ask what can be done?

We answer; protect the Saints; give them their rights; extend the broad banner of the constitution and laws over their homes, cities, firesides, wives and children, that they may CEASE TO BE BUTCHERED, MARTYRED, ROBBED, PLUNDERED, AND DRIVEN, and may peaceably proceed in the work assigned them by their God.

Execute the law upon the offenders, and thus rid your garments of INNOCENT BLOOD.

Pass acts, also, to indemnify them in the millions they have lost by your cruel and criminal neglect.

Contribute liberally of your substance for their aid, and for the fulfilment of their mission.

Let the government of the United States also continue to gather together, and to colonize the tribes and remnants of Israel (the Indians), and also to feed, clothe, succour, and protect them, and endeavour to civilize and unite; and also to bring them to the knowledge of their Israelitish origin, and of the fulness of the gospel which was revealed to, and written by their forefathers on this land, the record of which has now come to light.

It is these records, together with the other scriptures, and the priesthood and authority now conferred upon the Saints, that will effect their final conversion and salvation; while the creeds of man, and the powerless forms and dogmas of sectarianism will still remain powerless and inefficient.

The Lord has spoken, and who can disannul it? He has uttered his voice, and who can gainsay it? He has stretched out his arm, and who can turn it back?

Why will not the government and people of these States become acquainted with these records? They are published among them for this purpose.

They would then begin to know and understand what was to be done with these remnants, and what part they have to act in the great restitution of Israel, and of the kingdom of God. They would also know the object of the labours, and the final destiny of the Latter-day Saints as a church and people; and this very subject has been a source of wonder and conjecture, and sometimes even of anxiety among the people, ever since the first organization of the Saints in the year 1830.

And more than all this, they would know the destiny of this Republic, and of all other Governments, States, or Republics in America; and the purpose of God in relation to this continent, from the earliest ages of antiquity till the present, and from this time forth, till the heavens and the earth shall pass away and be created anew. All these subjects are made plain in these ancient records, and are rolling on in fulfilment.

If the rulers and people will now inform themselves on these momentous subjects, and fulfil the duties we have just pointed out to them, they will then be entitled to a continu-

ation of the great national blessings and favours they have heretofore enjoyed; yea, and to more abundant favours from *His* bountiful hand, who first raised them to national greatness. They will in that case be prospered and enlarged, and spread their dominion wide and more wide over this vast country, till not only Texas and Oregon, but the whole vast dominion from sea to sea, will be joined with them, and come under their protection as one great, powerful, and peaceful empire of Liberty and Union.—Millions of people would also come from all nations, their silver and their gold with them, and would take protection under our banner, till, in less than half a century from the present time, we would have upwards of a hundred millions of population, all united and free; while civilisation, arts, cultivation and improvement, would extend to the most wild regions of our continent, making our "wilderness like Eden, and our deserts like the garden of the Lord." Or, if they will go still further, and obey the fulness of the gospel, they would then be entitled, not only to temporal blessings, but to the gifts of the Holy Spirit, and thus be prepared to receive their king,—Messiah,—and to dwell for ever under his peaceful government in this happy country.

But so long as they remain indifferent and ignorant on these subjects, and so long as they continue to breathe out slanders, lies, hatred and murder against the Saints, and against the remnants of Israel, and to speak evil of and oppose the things which they understand not, so long the blood of the Saints and of the martyrs of Jesus must continue to flow, and the souls to cry from under the altar for vengeance on a guilty land, till the great Messiah shall execute judgment for the Saints, and give them the dominion.

It is in vain to suppose that the sword, the musket, the thunder of cannon, or the grating and rattle of chains, bolts and bars, will take away the faith, hope, or knowledge of a Latter-day Saint. They *know* some *facts*—and these will continue to be *known facts* when death and war in their most horrid forms are raging around them. They cannot shut their eyes upon these facts to please either governors, rulers, or the raging multitude.

We would now make a solemn appeal to our rulers, and

other fellow citizens, whether it is treason to *know*, or even to publish what we *know?* If it is, then strike the murderous blow, but listen to what we say.

We say, then, in life or in death, in bonds or free, that the great God has spoken in this age.—*And we know it.*

He has given us the holy priesthood and apostleship, and the keys of the kingdom of God, to bring about the restoration of all things as promised by the holy prophets of old. —*And we know it.*

He has revealed the origin and the records of the aboriginal tribes of America, and their future destiny.—*And we know it.*

He has revealed the fulness of the gospel, with its gifts, blessings, and ordinances.—*And we know it.*

He has commanded *us* to bear witness of it, first to the Gentiles, and then to the remnants of Israel, and the Jews. —*And we know it.*

He has commanded us to gather together his Saints, on this continent, and build up holy cities and sanctuaries.—*And we know it.*

He has said, that the Gentiles should come into the same gospel and covenant, and be numbered with the house of Israel, and be a blessed people upon this good land for ever, if they would repent and embrace it.—*And we know it.*

He has also said, that if they do not repent, and come to the knowledge of the truth, and cease to fight against Zion, and also put away all murder, lying, pride, priestcraft, whoredom, and secret abomination, they shall soon perish from the earth, and be cast down to hell.—*And we know it.*

He has said, that the time is at hand for the Jews to be gathered to Jerusalem.—*And we know it.*

He has said, that the ten tribes of Israel should also be revealed in the north country, together with their oracles and records, preparatory to their return, and to their union with Judah, no more to be separated.—*And we know it.*

He has said, that when these preparations were made, both in this country and in Jerusalem, and the gospel in all its fulness preached to all nations for a witness and testimony. He will come, and all the Saints with him, to reign on the earth one thousand years.—*And we know it.*

He has said, that he will not come in his glory and destroy the wicked, till these warnings were given, and

these preparations were made for his reception.—*And we know it.*

Now, fellow-citizens, if this knowledge, or the publishing of it, is *treason* or *crime*, we refuse not to die.

But be ye sure of this, that whether we live or die, the words of the testimony of this proclamation which we now send unto you, shall all be fulfilled.

Heaven and earth shall pass away, but not one jot or tittle of his revealed word shall fail to be fulfilled.

Therefore, again we say to all people, repent, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ, for remission of sins, and you shall receive the Holy Spirit, and shall know the truth, and be numbered with the house of Israel.

And we once more invite all the kings, presidents, governors, rulers, judges, and people of the earth to aid us, the Latter-day Saints, and also the Jews, and all the remnants of Israel, by your influence and protection, and by your silver and gold, that we may build the cities of Zion and Jerusalem, and the temples and sanctuaries of our God; and may accomplish the great restoration of all things, and bring in the latter-day glory.

That knowledge, truth, light, love, peace, union, honour, glory, and power, may fill the earth with eternal life and joy.

That death, bondage, oppression, wars, mourning, sorrow and pain, may be done away for ever, and all tears be wiped from every eye.

In fulfilment of the work assigned them, let the Saints throughout the world, and all others who feel an interest in the work of God, forward their gifts, tithes, and offerings, for the building of the temple of the Lord, which is now in progress in the city of Nauvoo, in the state of Illinois.

Let them also come on with their gold, and silver, and goods, and workmen, to establish manufactories and business of all kinds, for the building up of the city, and for the employment and support of the poor, and thus strengthen the hands of those who have borne the burden and heat of the day, and who have made great sacrifices in laying the foundation of the kingdom of God, and moving on the work thus far.

We also make a solemn and an earnest request of all editors of newspapers, both in this country and other coun-

tries to publish this proclamation. It certainly contains news, such as is not met with at all times, and in every place, and cannot fail to interest the reading public, especially those who have prayed every day of their lives for the *Lord's kingdom to come, and for his will to be done on the earth, as it is done in heaven.*

President Wilford Woodruff, who superintends the publishing department of the Latter-day Saints, in Liverpool, England, is also requested to give this proclamation a wide circulation throughout England, Scotland, Ireland, and the Isle of Man.

Elder Jones, our minister to Wales, is hereby instructed to publish the same in the Welsh language, and circulate it widely through that country.

It should also be translated into German, by some of our German elders, and published both in this country and on the continent of Europe. Also in Spanish and in French.

Our Norwegian elders in the branch at Norway, Illinois, should also translate and publish it in their language, both in this country and in Norway, in Europe.

Elder Adison Pratt, our missionary to the Sandwich Islands, should also translate and publish it there.

We also rely on our friends, the Jews, throughout the world, to give it a wide circulation in all their tongues and languages.

And last, but not least, we would invite the editor of the *Cherokee Advocate*, and others of the remnant of Joseph, to publish the same, as extensively as possible in the Indian tongues.

We also will endeavour on our part, to publish at our office, No. 7, Spruce Street, New York, one hundred thousand copies of this work, to circulate in this country, gratis; and will do our best endeavours to send them to all presidents, governors, legislators, judges, postmasters, rulers, and people, not forgetting the clergy.

All persons who wish to aid us in so doing, will please forward us contributions for that purpose, directed to our office, No. 7, Spruce Street, New York.

All who wish a number of copies for distribution will obtain them at the above named office, at 50 cents per hundred.

The world are also informed, that further information can be had by applying to the following general publishing offices of the Latter-day Saints:—Mr. John Taylor, *Times and Seasons* office, Nauvoo, in the State of Illinois; Messrs. Pratt and Brannan, *Prophet* office, No. 7, Spruce Street, New York; Mr. Wilford Woodruff, *Millennial Star* office, Stanley Buildings, Bath Street, Liverpool; also of our travelling elders, and in our religious meetings throughout the world.

New York, April 6th, 1845.

TO THE ENGLISH READER.

It will be borne in mind that the foregoing was written in the United States of America, therefore the language, which we have not altered, will be understood as emanating from thence.

We would also add, that any persons desirous of assisting us in the publication of the same, can forward their donations, &c., addressed to WILFORD WOODRUFF, Stanley Buildings, Bath Street, Liverpool.

W. WOODRUFF.

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